

November 30, 2005

**RE: Alabama Home Inspectors Registration Program**

On January 22, 2004, the Building Commission proposed to amend chapter 170-X-24.05 (License Requirements) and Chapter 170-X-24.06 (Annual License Renewal, Consequences of Failure to Renew). On March 8, 2004, the proposed amendments were adopted. These rules are designed to implement the requirements for home inspection and EIFS licensing enacted by the Legislature in Act 2002-517. You may obtain copies of the adopted rules at our website [www.bc.state.al.us](http://www.bc.state.al.us).

On August 25, 2004, the Building Commission's Director permitted **interim basis membership** to the **National Association of Certified Home Inspectors (NACHI)**. Therefore, an interim basis license shall be sufficient, for professional qualification requirement of ALA. ADMIN. CODE r. 170-X-24-.05(1)(c)(1). **However, should the Building Commission ultimately vote not to include the National Association of Certified Home Inspectors (NACHI), to its list of approved professional bodies, membership in and adherence to that body's ethical standards shall cease to be sufficient for purposes of ALA. ADMIN. CODE r. 170-X-24-.05(1)(c)(1).**

**Home Inspector License Requirements:**

- 1). Notarized home inspector's application **(MANDATORY)**
- 2). Show proof of compliance of American Society of Home Inspectors, Standards and Ethics Examination, and show proof of compliance of the Examination Board of Professional Home Inspectors, National Home Inspector Examination, *(If you have already taken AND PASSED the required tests (check YES).*
- 3). \$250,000.00 of errors and omissions insurance coverage shall also be required, as well as maintaining the presently required amount of general liability insurance. *Yes, form(s) provided to you by your insurance companies are acceptable. If insurance documents are not submitted with application, it will be returned.*
- 4). Proof of qualifications in one of the categories listed. \$300.00 registration fee payable by cashier cash, money order, bank check, (CASH, PERSONAL, AND COMPANY CHECKS ARE NOT ACCEPTED).

**(FOR RENEWALS ONLY): YOU MUST MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF NUMBERS: 1, 3, and 4.**

If you do not meet the above requirements for a first time license or renewal your application will not be processed.

**TESTING INFORMATION**

The Standards and Ethics test can be taken online at [www.CATGlobal.com](http://www.CATGlobal.com) or you may call Promissor, Inc. at 1-800-274-8359, for testing sites, dates, and time. The National Home Inspector Examination online registration [www.CATGlobal.com](http://www.CATGlobal.com) or you may call 1-877-543-5222, Promissor. **For information pertaining to the National Home Inspector Examination, go to: [www.homeinspectionexam.org](http://www.homeinspectionexam.org) or you may call 1-847-298-7750.**

As always, I look forward to working with you and for you in the coming years, any questions contact our agency at **334-242-4810**.

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